

SUICIDE PACT SEEN IN DEATH OF TWO

Charles E. Cochran and Mary Di Virgilio of Brooklyn Found Poisoned in Hotel.

FATHER OPPOSED MATCH

Intercepted One Note to Girl, but Failed to Prevent Pair From Meeting.

A suicide pact in which Charles E. Cochran, newspaper photographer, of 322 Brakely place, and Mary Di Virgilio, 24, of 69 Fifth avenue, both of Brooklyn, took their lives with poison, was discovered yesterday in the Hotel Navarre when employees entered a room occupied by the couple to find out why they had not left it for more than twenty-four hours. A phial filled with white tablets, believed to contain cyanide of potassium, explained the cause of death.

Identification of Cochran's body was made by his brother, Frederick Leczkusky of 202 Flatbush avenue, Brooklyn. He said that the dead man was married, but had been separated from his wife for four years. He had his name changed several years ago. Cochran, it was said, was employed by Isaac Kaplan, a free lance photographer. Michael Di Virgilio, a barber, of 69 Fifth avenue, Brooklyn, identified the body of the woman as that of his daughter. He said he intercepted a note addressed to her by Cochran last Thursday night. The note arranged a meeting of the two for the next morning. Di Virgilio, who had been trying to break up the friendship between the man and his daughter, destroyed the note, but now believes Cochran sent her another.

Cochran and the girl reached the Navarre at 10 o'clock Friday morning and registered at the Hotel Navarre, 100 Duran of Philadelphia. They were well dressed and apparently had just arrived in the city after a railroad trip. The woman carried a small bag.

At noon yesterday, when the couple had not been heard from for more than twenty-four hours, a maid knocked on the door. There was no answer and she went away. At 6:30 in the evening she returned, bringing the hotel detectives with her. The door was opened with a master key and the bodies were discovered on the bed, that of the woman clad in a night gown and covered with a sheet and that of the man fully clothed. There was a note addressed to Miss Di Virgilio found on a dresser, but its contents were not made known.

LIFE CONVICT FREED, GOES HOME, ARRESTED

Seeks Art Gifts and Is Told Wife Sold Them.

When Charles Ackron, 56, who was released from Sing Sing last Tuesday after a pardon by Gov. Miller from a life sentence, was arraigned yesterday before Magistrate Folwell in the Gates avenue court on a charge of petty larceny he wept bitterly. Ackron was convicted four years ago in Brooklyn as a fourth offender, and sent to Sing Sing for life by County Judge Dike. He had conducted a "fake" phonograph business throughout Brooklyn, selling worthless wooden cases for phonographs.

Ackron went yesterday to his former apartment at 254 Stuyvesant avenue, Brooklyn, which he entered with the key which had been returned to him upon his release from Sing Sing. Finding his name still on the door, while he was engaged in taking down two tapestries and an oil painting Mrs. Rosa Shoemaker of 256 Stuyvesant avenue, came in, and declared that when Mrs. Ackron heard her husband had been pardoned she sold all of the furniture to Mrs. Shoemaker and left.

Ackron said that the tapestries and paintings were given him by his mother on her death bed, and he had promised her to take care of them always. Mrs. Shoemaker called Patrolman James Murray, who arrested Ackron. Magistrate Folwell told Ackron he regretted the incident, but that unless he returned the articles he would have to hold him. So Ackron returned them, but Mrs. Shoemaker promised to keep them for him until he could earn the \$38 she paid for them.

HARDING COMING ON HIS YACHT

Mayflower to Carry Him Down Potomac and Up Coast to N. Y.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

Washington, D. C., May 14.

When President Harding goes to New York for three addresses on Monday, May 22, he will make the trip on the Presidential yacht Mayflower, leaving Washington next Saturday night, accompanied by Mrs. Harding, Brig.-Gen. Sawyer and others, travelling down the Potomac River and then up the Atlantic coast to New York.

The New York engagements call for a luncheon in the Hotel Astor by the Academy of Political Science, review of the Twenty-third Infantry (formerly the 10th Infantry) in its armory and a banquet marking the anniversary of the New York Commercial.

Edwin P. Maynard will head the committee of Brooklyn citizens who will receive President Harding when he arrives in the borough on May 23 to review the 23d Regiment. Others on the committee with Mr. Maynard are Gen. George A. Wingate, Gen. James Robb, Charles Jerome Edwards and George T. Mussen.

BEQUESTS \$12,000.

The will of Patrick Joseph Scully, late City Clerk, was filed yesterday, making bequests of \$12,000 but not disclosing the details of his estate. To his sister-in-law, Mary, late Mrs. Margaret Scully, and to nieces and nephews, Joseph V. and John Scully, Nellie Schaeffer and Viola Scully, \$2,000 each is bequeathed.

Automobiles Stolen.

The following automobiles were reported stolen in a message sent out by radio last night from Police Headquarters:

Ford 1920 sedan; license 78378 N. Y.; motor 370711.

Buick 1920 sedan; license 11906 N. Y.; motor 367814.

Mitsubishi 1919 touring; license 44110; motor 106201.

Hudson 1918 touring; license 25368 N. Y.; motor 30807.

Buick 1920 coupe; license 13068 N. Y.; motor 36699.

Buick 1918 town car; license 15078 N. Y.; motor 30834.

White delivery auto, painted red, left rear mud guard bent, marked Nathan Schwartz, 407 West 104th street, New York; license 81643 N. Y.; motor 41504; serial 73803.

Stearns two ton commercial, green; license 80442 N. Y.; motor 17033.

Ford 1921 sedan; license 170479 N. Y.; motor 48005.

Ford 1920 touring; license 81626 N. Y.; motor 367147.

Ford 1920 coupe; license 2275 N. Y.; motor 367004.

Bellevue Without a Death First Time in Five Years

FOR the first time in five years a period of twenty-four hours passed yesterday without the registration of a single death in Bellevue Hospital. A total of 1,400 patients were receiving treatment in the hospital during the period. The twenty-four hours ended at 10 o'clock last night.

The record was unusual, according to the staff, because of the seriousness of most of the cases brought to Bellevue for treatment. The patients include persons suffering from gunshot wounds and emergency cases resulting from automobile and other accidents.

MOTOR CARS KILL 2; GIRL LEARNER HELD

Truck Runs Over Children on Way in Rain to Candy Store in Bronx.

An automobile truck bore down on Margaret O'Sullivan, aged 6, of 248 Webster avenue, and her cousin, Catherine Valenti of 246 Webster avenue, The Bronx, as they were going to a candy store yesterday morning. Rain was falling and they had umbrellas over them as they stepped into the street. They did not see the truck, and the driver said he did not see them in time to prevent the accident, and the streets were so slippery it was difficult to make a stop at all.

Margaret was killed outright, being crushed by the right front wheel. The same wheel went over Catherine's right leg, crushing it and requiring an amputation above the knee when she was carried to Fordham Hospital.

The accident took place at Webster avenue and 15th street. John J. Fink of 167 Amsterdam avenue and his assistant, William Byrnes of 23 Ryder avenue, The Bronx, picked up the girls, put them in a passing automobile and carried them to the hospital. Fink was arrested on a technical charge of homicide and will be arraigned to-day in West Farms Court.

Margaret O'Sullivan was the daughter of Patrolman Joseph O'Sullivan of the Alexander avenue station. Catherine Valenti's father is a painter and decorator. He is a widower. She is the youngest of three children.

Emil Hercke, 17, of 214 Twenty-second street, Flushing, died in Flushing Hospital of injuries received Friday afternoon when he was hit by an automobile near his home. The driver was not arrested.

John Carberry, 4, son of former Fire Lieut. Albert Carberry, was run down by an automobile last night while playing in the front yard of his home at 4539 Eighteenth avenue, Brooklyn, and was taken to St. Catherine's Hospital, where it was said he had concussion of the brain and possible fracture of the skull.

The police said the accident happened when Miss Beatrice Sullivan, 21, of 95 Eagle street, Brooklyn, who was learning to drive, lost control of the steering wheel. The automobile is owned by Otto Rosenberg of 1426 Forty-sixth street, Brooklyn, and was in charge of Seward Schen, a club steward, who, the police say, was teaching Miss Sullivan to drive.

Patrolman Byrnes arrested Miss Sullivan on a charge of felonious assault and operating a car without a license. Schen was arrested for permitting her to operate the car. Both will be arraigned this morning.

BOY IS CHARGED WITH DEATH OF PLAYMATE

Corona Lads Had Indulged in 'Shoemaker,' a Rough Game.

Edward Moore, 10, of 129 Willow street, Corona, Queens, will be arraigned in Children's Court, having been charged yesterday with causing the death of his playmate, Anthony Denevere, aged 6, of New street, Corona. Dr. Howard W. Schen, assistant Medical Examiner, reported that an autopsy showed Denevere's death was due to congestion of the lungs, caused by an outward injury.

Several days ago, according to the Flushing police, the two boys and others were playing a game called "shoemaker," which is a rough sport, in which the boys at times jump on each other.

BIG RUSH FOR CITIZENSHIP.

3,000 to Undergo Final Tests in Bronx Court Early in June.

So many residents of The Bronx are displaying an eagerness to become citizens that Robert Moran, County Clerk, has decided to make an exception of it. During the first week of June 3,000 candidates will be put through their final tests.

Naturalization Court convenes once a week, but "Americanization week" clerks will receive up to 250 sets of papers every morning and the same number in the afternoon. It is believed the rush will continue until the middle of June. The number of candidates is surpassing all previous records in this court.

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HAMBURG-AMERICAN DIRECTOR ARRIVES

Comes to Perfect Agreement for Taking Over the German Lines.

Dr. William Cuno, director-general of the Hamburg-American Line, arrived here yesterday on the Holland-America liner Rotterdam to confer with W. Averell Harriman and his associates concerning the agreement entered into for the taking over of the German lines.

"I have come to America in order to discuss with Mr. Harriman and his associates, with whom we have been working hand in hand for nearly twelve months on terms of the utmost cordiality, questions touching the practical details of our agreement," Dr. Cuno said. "I contracted this agreement last year because of my settled conviction that the United States and Germany, for the sake of their mutual interest, were bound to cooperate with each other, and this is also at the bottom of my conviction regarding the assistance which the United States might give in the reparations questions still at issue."

Dr. Cuno would not amplify his statement.

The man who came nearest of all to that ambition of all allied and American soldiers, to shoot the Kaiser, was also on board the Rotterdam. He is Conrad van Pelt, a Dutch soldier on duty at the German frontier when Wilhelm and his retinue arrived hastily from Germany. Van Pelt fired several shots at one of the motor cars, puncturing its tires, when the procession failed to halt at his challenge. This stopped them, and Van Pelt held up the German Emperor and Emperor and their friends until the officer of the guard and higher officials appeared, questioned the German exiles and gave them permission to enter Holland. Van Pelt did not see the Kaiser personally.

Also on board the Rotterdam was Mrs. C. Haddon Chambers, wife of the English author, who died recently in England after completing a play which she hopes to produce here. Mrs. Chambers said the play was written about and for her and that she was to play the star part. Her husband died four months after their marriage.

FRAUD CHARGED IN SALE OF PROPERTY

Broker Alleged to Have Used Employee in Deal.

Lester A. Clark, referee, submitted a report yesterday to Justice Callaghan in Supreme Court, Brooklyn, recommending that a contract for the sale of property owned by Junior House, Inc., 90 State street, Brooklyn, be set aside on grounds of fraud. He stated that Junior House, Inc., had employed Henry C. Martin as broker for the sale, and that a purchaser named Grace E. O'Brien had agreed to take the property for \$20,500, and had made a deposit of \$2,000 to bind the sale. Mr. Clark asked that the \$2,000 be put in custody of the court until the matter has been adjudicated.

The referee said he learned that Grace E. O'Brien was a stenographer in the office of Henry C. Martin, and that a letter agreeing to buy the property was written by her at Martin's dictation. He ascertained further, he said, that a contract had been drawn for the resale of the property by Miss O'Brien to another purchaser for the sum of \$25,000. The contract by which Martin was employed as broker to arrange for the sale was made December 23, 1920, according to Mr. Clark, and the sale of the property was approved by Justice Aspinwall in Supreme Court at about that time. Later a request was made to have the order of Justice Aspinwall set aside, and the case was referred to Mr. Clark as referee.

HACKENSACK INDIAN'S SHOTS WOUND WOMAN

Policeman Ducks When Sawn Off Shotgun Is Fired.

Daniel Conklin, 23, a halfbreed Indian, of 17 1/2 Water street, Hackensack, N. J., shot and seriously wounded Mrs. Anzitra Sager last night in Hackensack while trying to shoot a policeman. He was locked up on a charge of felonious assault.

Patrolman Tony Di Alto in Hudson street, near Water, ordered several young men to "move on." Conklin, said to be one of the group, took a sawed off shotgun from under his arm and fired three times, according to the Times-Albion yesterday, declared that the appointment of a woman to a Cabinet position will not alone satisfy the women of the country.

MME. CURIE TELLS OF RADIUM CURES

Explains Simpler Facts About Discovery While She Is Guest of Vassar College.

Mme. Marie Curie, the scientist, was the guest of Vassar College last night and made a speech in the chapel explaining some of the simpler facts about radium. Dr. Henry Noble McCracken, president of the college, said in introducing her that "the discovery of radium by a woman was the fulfillment of the dream of all those who have worked for the advancement of women."

Mme. Curie said in part:

"If we take a practical point of view, then the most important property of the rays is the production of physiological effects on the cells of the human organism. These effects may be used for the cure of several dread diseases and good results have been obtained in many cases. What is considered particularly important is the treatment of cancer. The question is not yet solved, however, and not every cancer can be cured by radium, though in many cases there have been good results and absolute cures."

Mme. Curie will be welcomed by representatives of college women at a meeting to be held Wednesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, in Carnegie Hall. The meeting will be under the direction of the American Association of University Women, who have contributed \$15,000 to the Marie Curie Radium Fund, with which to purchase a gram of radium for her use in experimental work.

Boxes at Carnegie Hall have been reserved for twenty women's colleges and coeducational institutions, and on the stage will be members of the committee and guests wearing academic caps and gowns. Among those invited to sit on the platform are M. Jussierand, the French Ambassador; Mme. Marcella Sembrich, Mrs. and Mrs. Ignace Jan Paderewski, and all the Polish diplomatic representatives. Speakers will be Dr. Florence Sabin, professor of histology at Johns Hopkins; Dr. M. Carey Thomas, president of Bryn Mawr, and Dr. Washburn, professor of psychology at Vassar.

Ellen F. Pendleton, president of the Wellesley College, will award to Mme. Curie the special Ellen Richards Research Prize of \$2,000 in gold, the highest honor given by the Association to Aid Scientific Research by Women.

The National Institute of Social Sciences will entertain Mme. Curie and Vice-President and Mrs. Coolidge Thursday night at their eighth annual dinner at the Waldorf. Vice-President Coolidge will speak. The gold medals of the institute will be presented to Mme. Curie, Charles Frederick Chandler and Cleveland H. Dodge. Other medals will be presented to Miss Lillie H. French, Mrs. Julia C. Lathrop, Robert Erskine Ely, Theodore E. Burton and Edward W. Bok.

WANTS 'FIRST RATE' WOMAN IN CABINET

Mrs. Slade Outlines Demand of Suffragists at Meeting of Voters' League.

Mrs. Francis Louis Slade, vice-chairman and one of the principal speakers at a meeting of the League of Women Voters of New York, held in the McAlpin yesterday, declared that the appointment of a woman to a Cabinet position will not alone satisfy the women of the country.

"We want a first rate woman or none," she said, "for we want no second rate woman as a Cabinet member."

Mrs. Slade was reported to have said that Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt and Mrs. Maud Wood Park of Washington, D. C., both of whom have advocated a department of education equal to other departments, had agreed to compromise in favor of a department of social welfare linked with education in return for the appointment of a woman to a Cabinet place. Mrs. Slade later denied this.

"What I did say was that persons who oppose the League of Voters had circulated such a report," she said, "and I characterized these rumors as false and silly. Moreover, we do not demand that a woman head a department of education when it is created."

Mrs. Catt was not present at the meeting on account of illness. At her summer home last night she said that President Harding had made certain promises with regard to social welfare and the advancement of education.

"Therefore, what an individual or a group of individuals would like has nothing to do with it," Mrs. Catt said. "President Harding adheres to his plans outlined in his speeches. Personally I am in favor of a department of education with equal status with the departments of Labor, Commerce and other departments."

"The creation of a separate department of social welfare with education as a part of the work of the department would be a step forward," Mrs. Catt continued, "but that's all."

Mrs. Catt declared that no such thing as a "compromise" on the matter of a department of education had been discussed with her by leaders of Congress or of the Administration.

MISSING WIFE IN RUSSIA.

Wisconsin Man Lost Track of Her During War.

CUMBERLAND, Wis., May 14.—Harry Sherman, who has had no word of his wife and family since the beginning of the war in 1914, has located them after years of effort.

A letter written by Mrs. Sherman was transmitted to her husband through the agency of the Jewish War Sufferers organization of New York.

The letter stated that Mrs. Sherman and her son, Samuel, now 10 years old, are living in Kieve, Russia. The daughter died some time ago.

Mr. Sherman expects his wife and son will come to America within a short time, when a happy reunion is anticipated, as they have not seen each other for eight years.

LONG LIFE DUE TO SMOKING.

GLATHE, Kan., May 14.—This is not exactly W. C. T. U. propaganda, but Thomas Scott declares it's true. Thomas, a 96-year-old negro, declares his longevity is due to smoking and chewing tobacco. He says he's been at it constantly for eighty-six years and has never been sick a day in his life.

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